

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 2, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4C, 5, 6, 7A-7C, 8A-8C, 9A, 9B, and 10C-10J. These figures replace the original sheets including Figs. 2, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4C, 5, 6, 7A-7C, 8A-8C, 9A, 9B, and 10C-10J.

Attachments: Replacement Sheets and Annotated Sheets

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 24, 2006. The previous non-final Office action objected to several drawings. With respect to those drawing objections, applicants contend that the location of the figure numbers comply with the statutory requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112 and 37 CFR §§1.83-4, but in the interest of expediting prosecution, several of the figures have been amended to move the location of the figure number to the upper left corner of the figures to address the examiner's concern. Applicants further contend that the line weights in figure 2 and the shading in figure 10C comply with the statutory requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112 first paragraph, but in the interest of expediting prosecution, applicants have amended figure 2 to reduce the line weights of several lines and have amended figure 10C to remove the shading from elements 768, 770, 772, 774, and 776. (Applicants respectfully submit that there is no shading in elements 786 and 788 as indicated on page 4 of the Office action.) The Office action correctly states on page 4 that the acronym "OPI" corresponds to "Open-Pre-press Interface." The acronym OPI is also consistently used in the specification in this manner. Applicants submit that use of the acronym "OPI" in figure 4C complies with the statutory requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112 first paragraph, but in the interest of expediting prosecution, applicants have amended figure 4C to replace "OPI" with "Open-Pre-press Interface (OPI)" as requested in the Office action. Copies of the replacement sheets and annotated sheets of drawings are clearly identified in the top margins and are attached hereto.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If the examiner wishes to discuss any aspect of this response or the case in general, she is urged to contact the applicants' undersigned attorney. Should any additional fees be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or debit Deposit Account No. 13-2855.

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FIG. 2

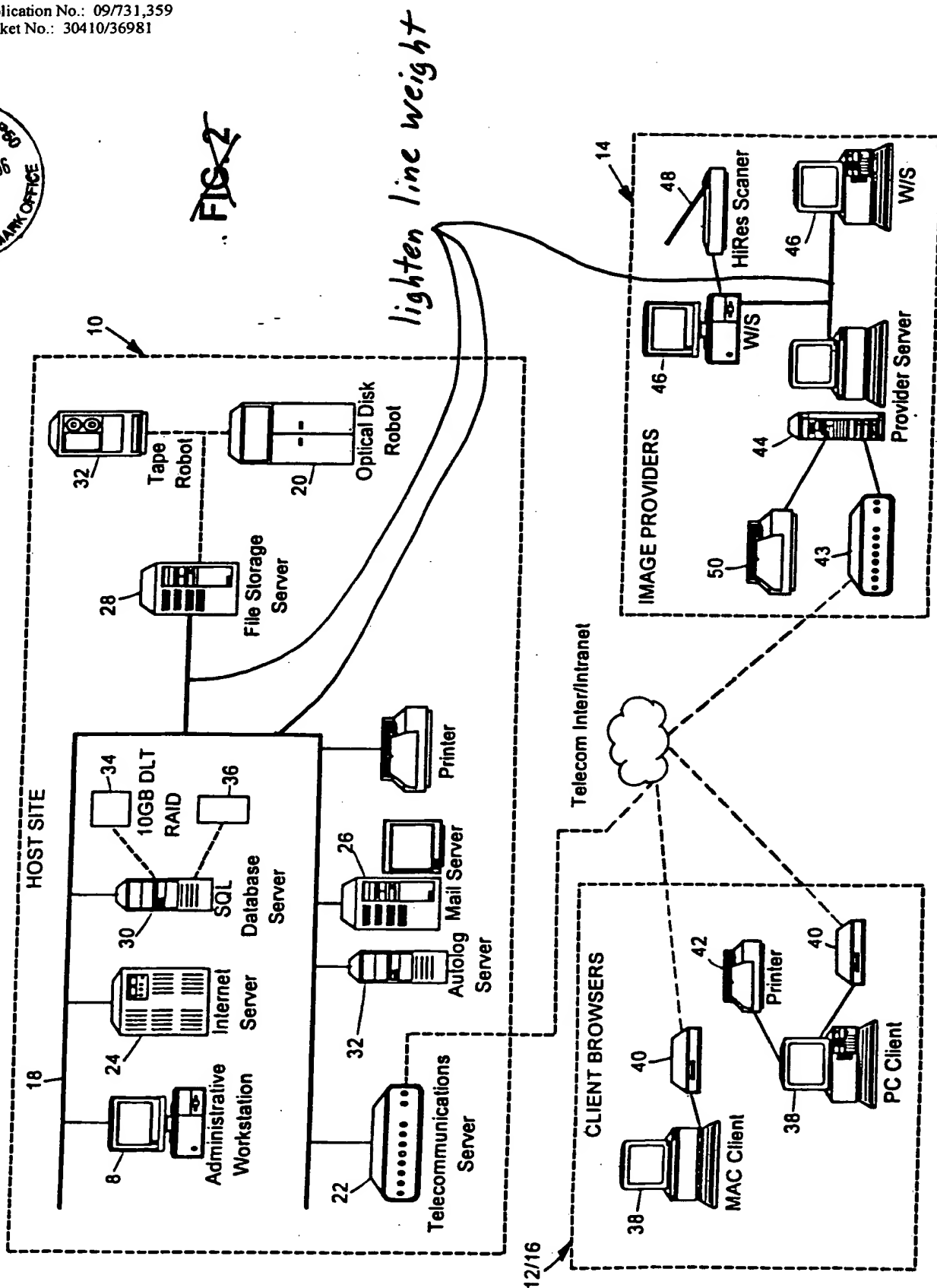
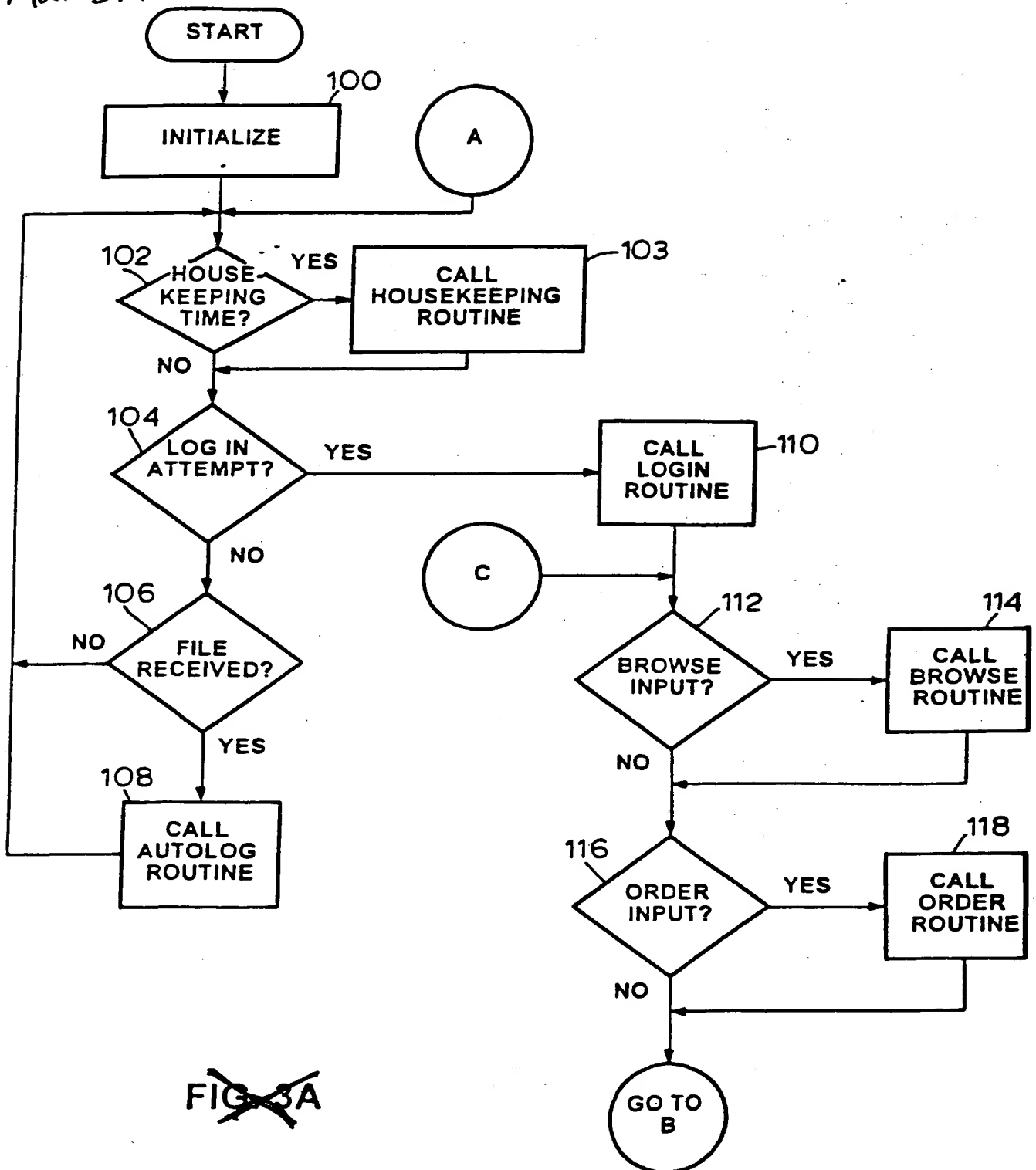
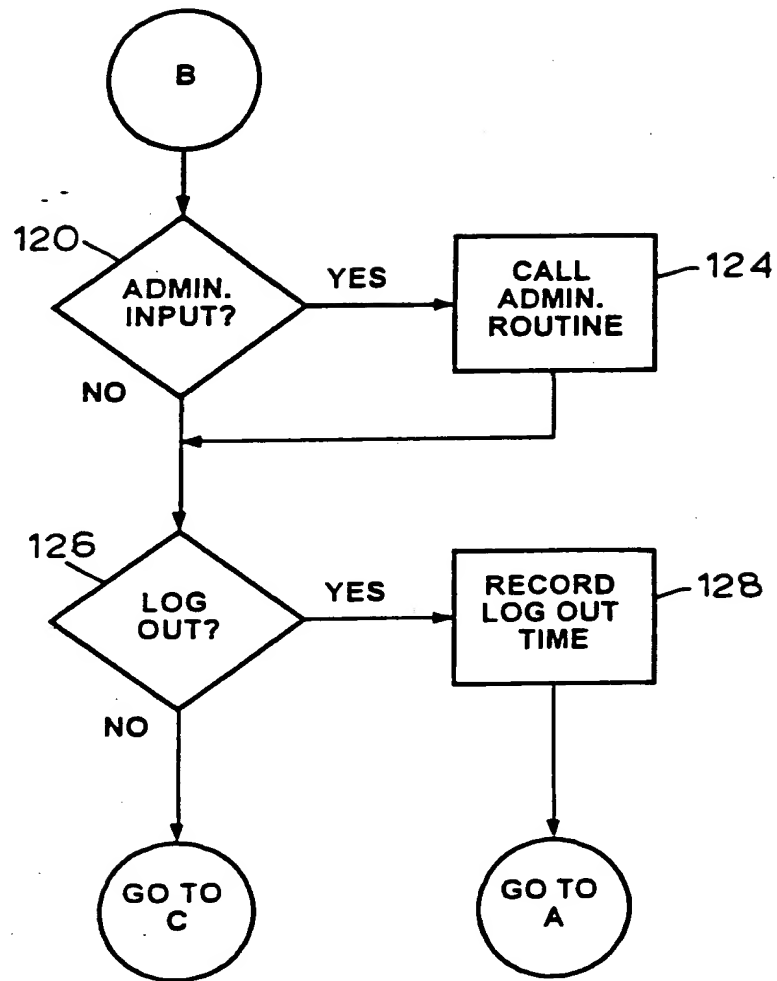


FIG. 3A



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FIG. 3B



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FIG. 4A

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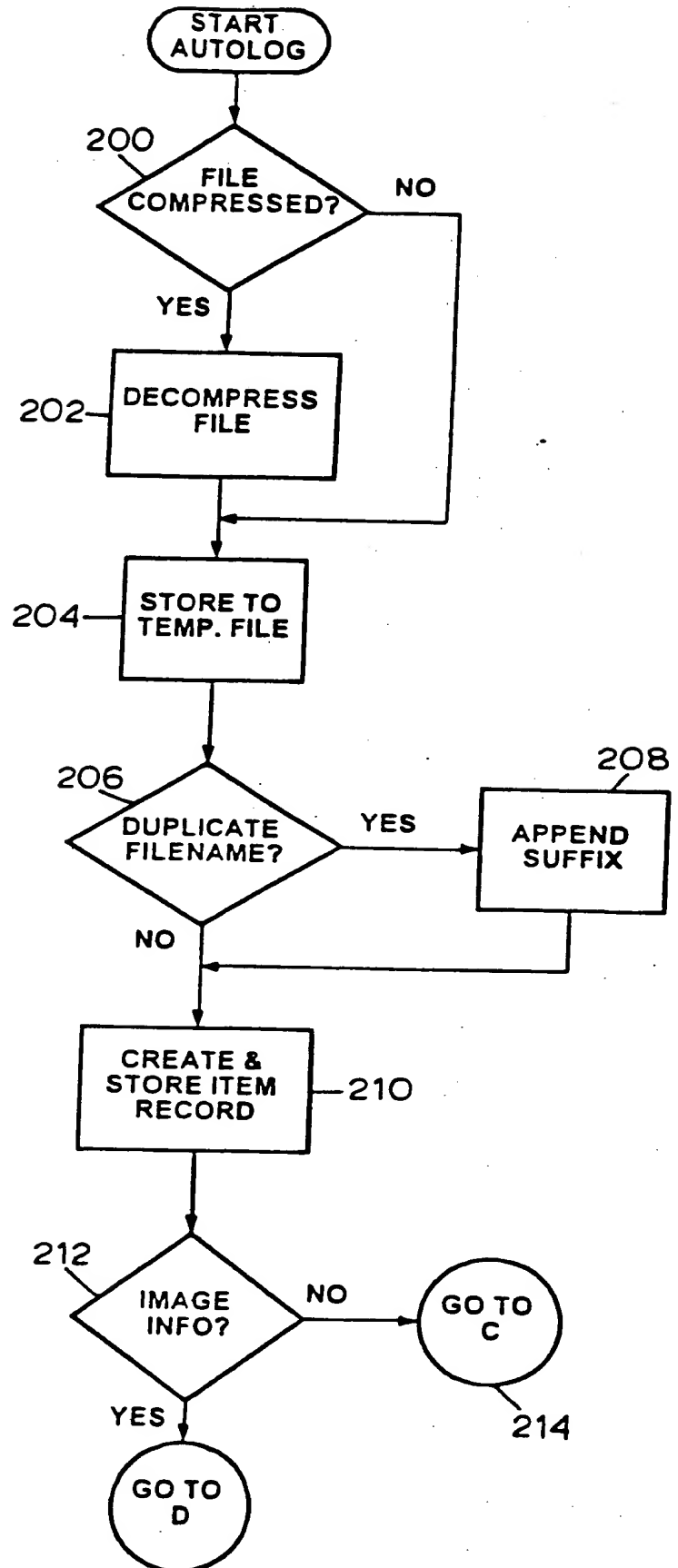
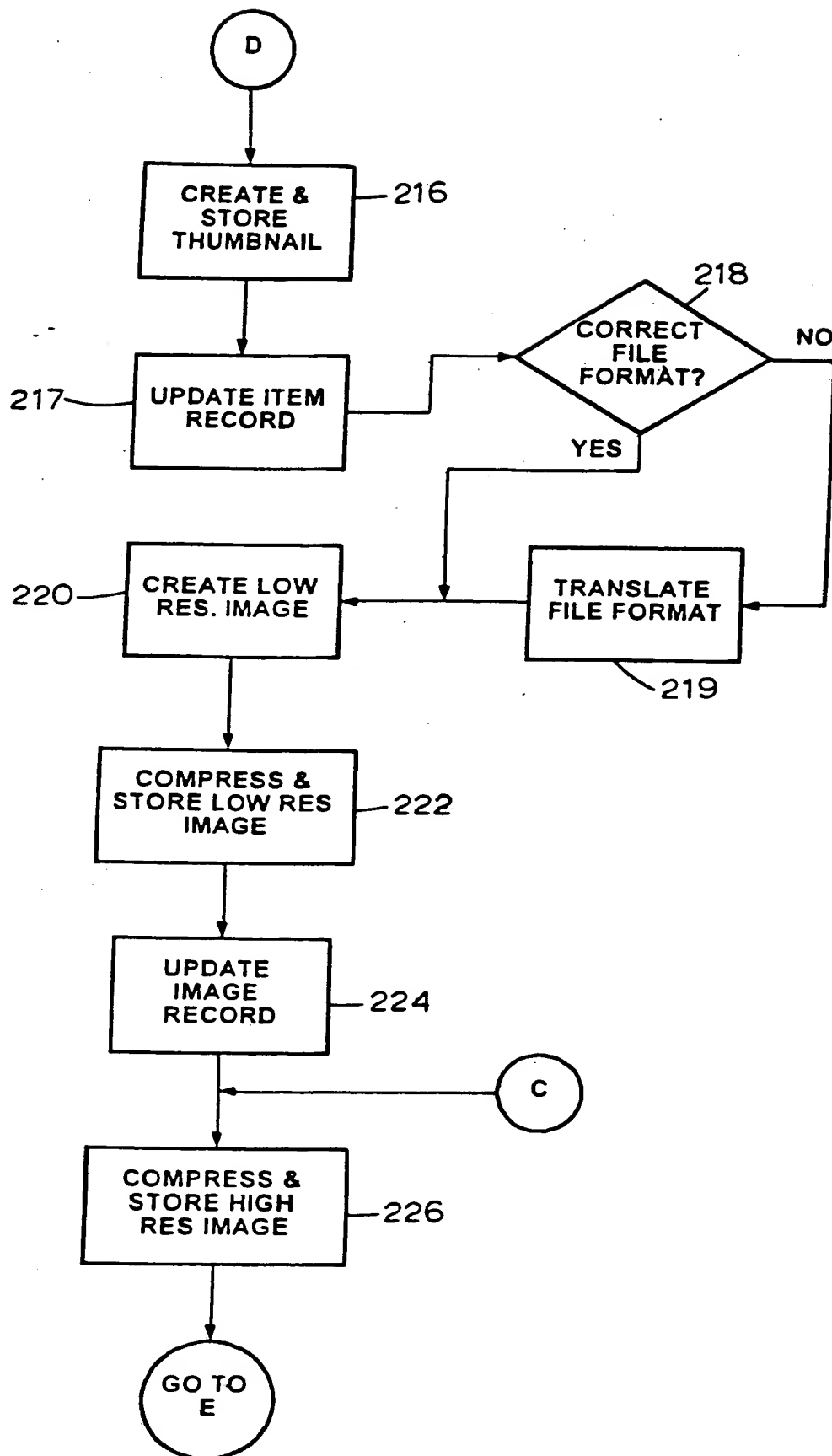
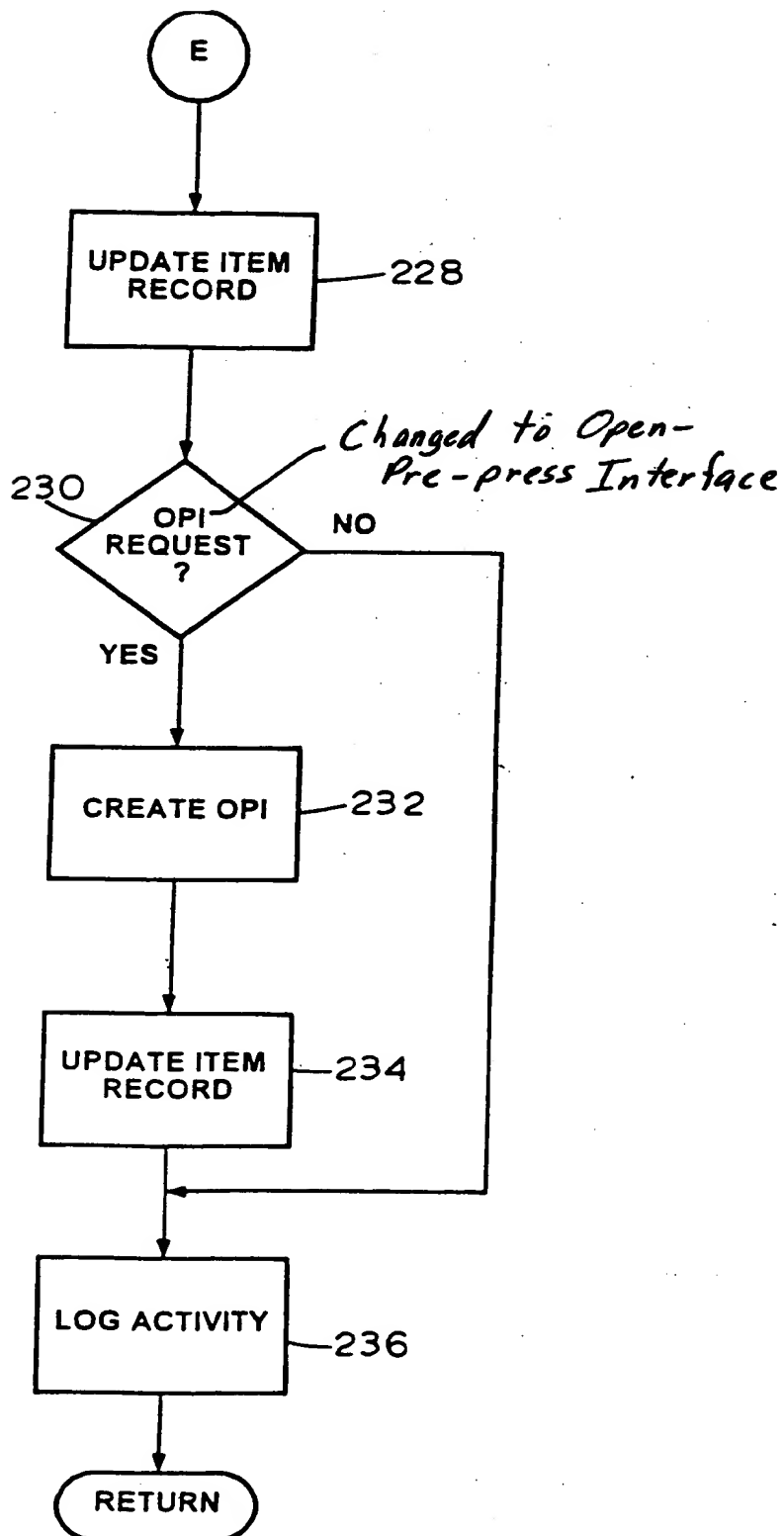


FIG. 4B



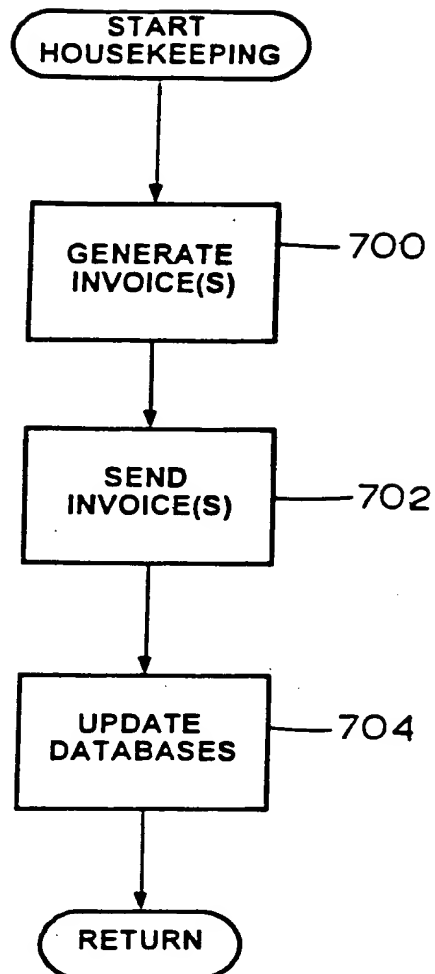
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FIG. 4C



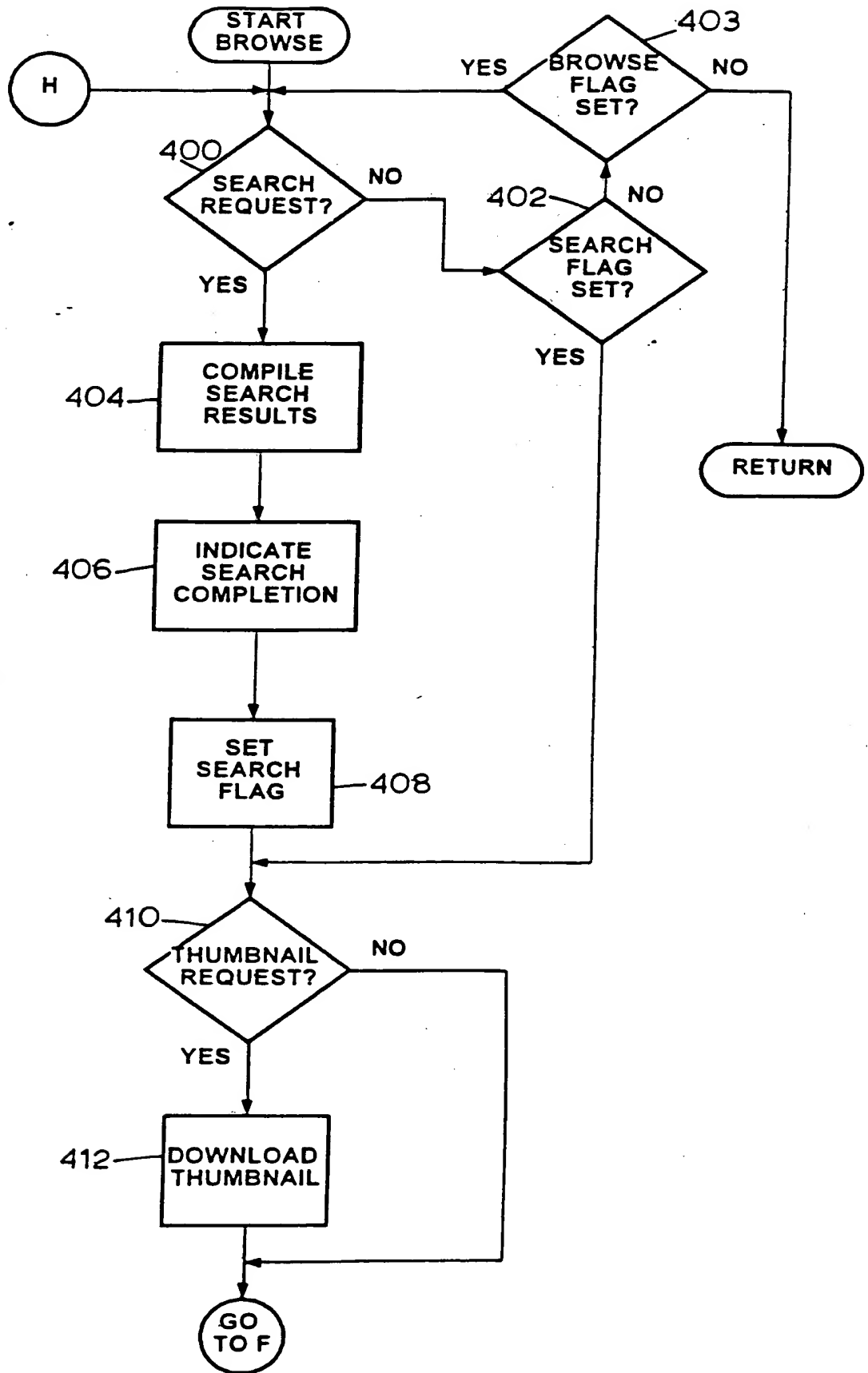
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FIG. 5



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FIG. 7A



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FIG. 6

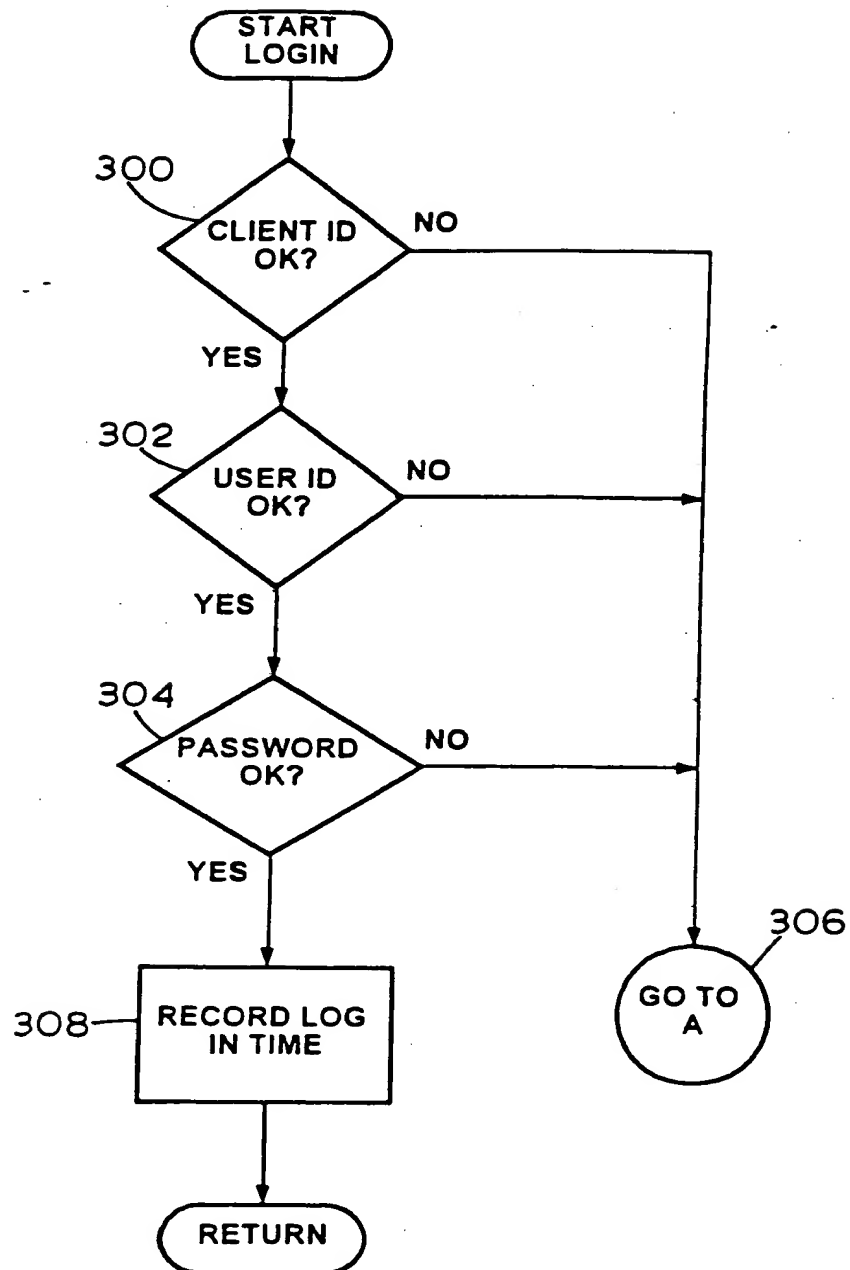


FIG. 7B

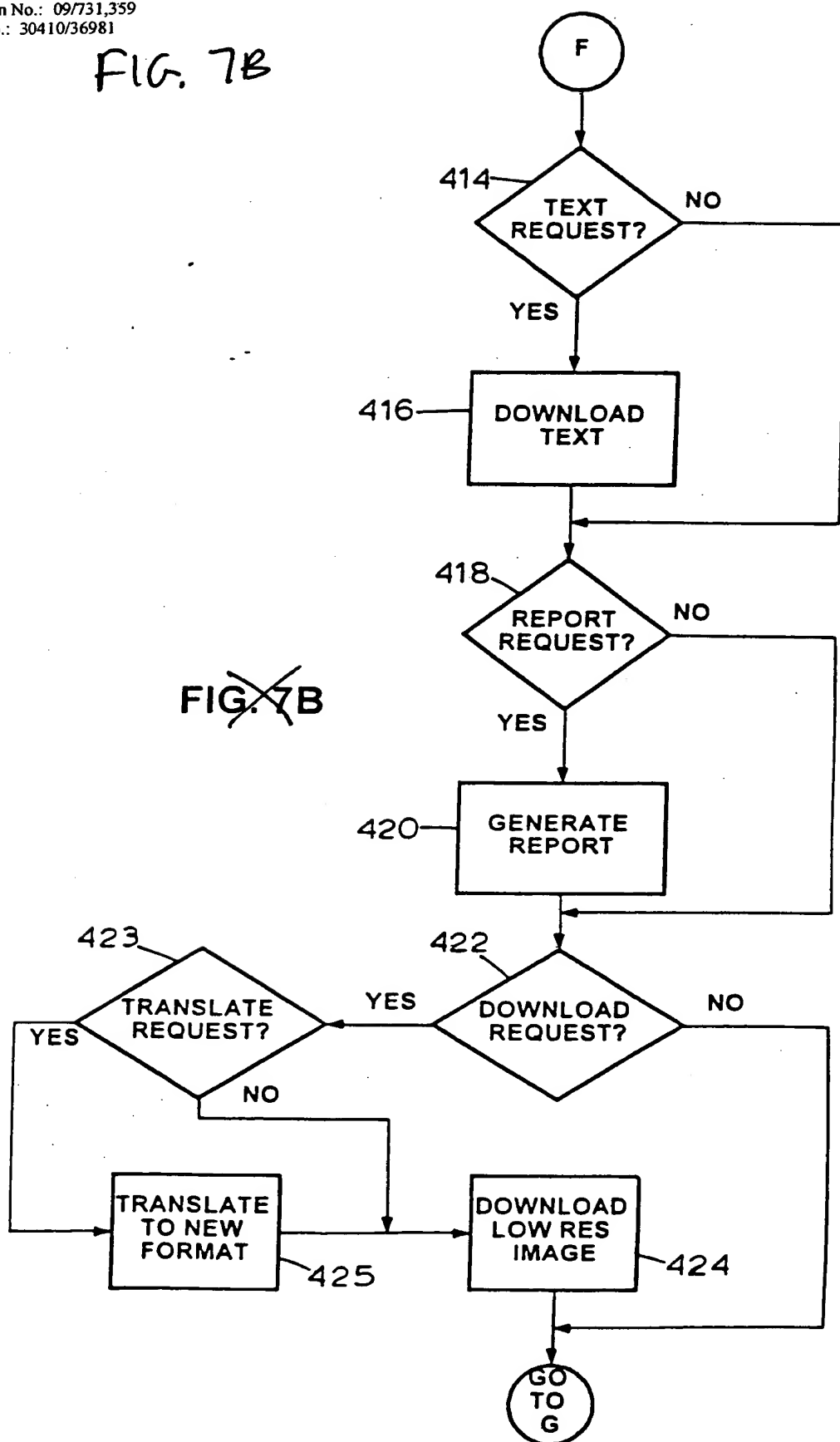
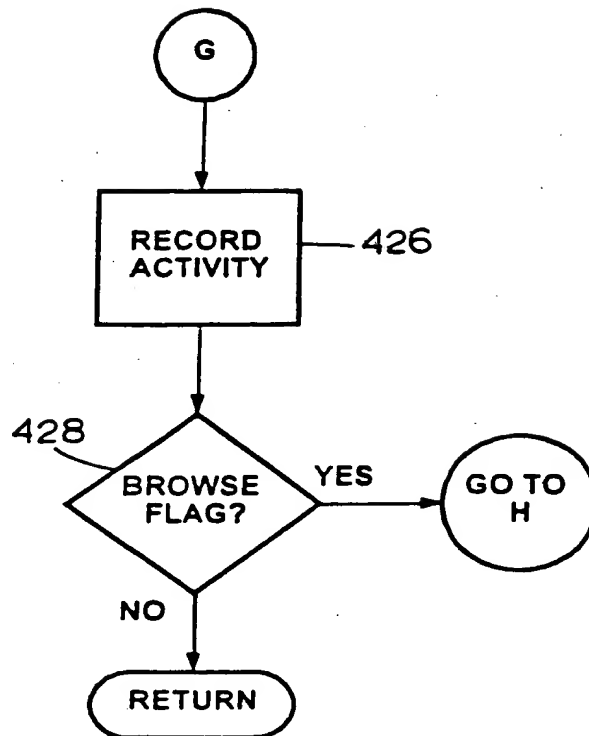


FIG. 7C



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FIG. 8A

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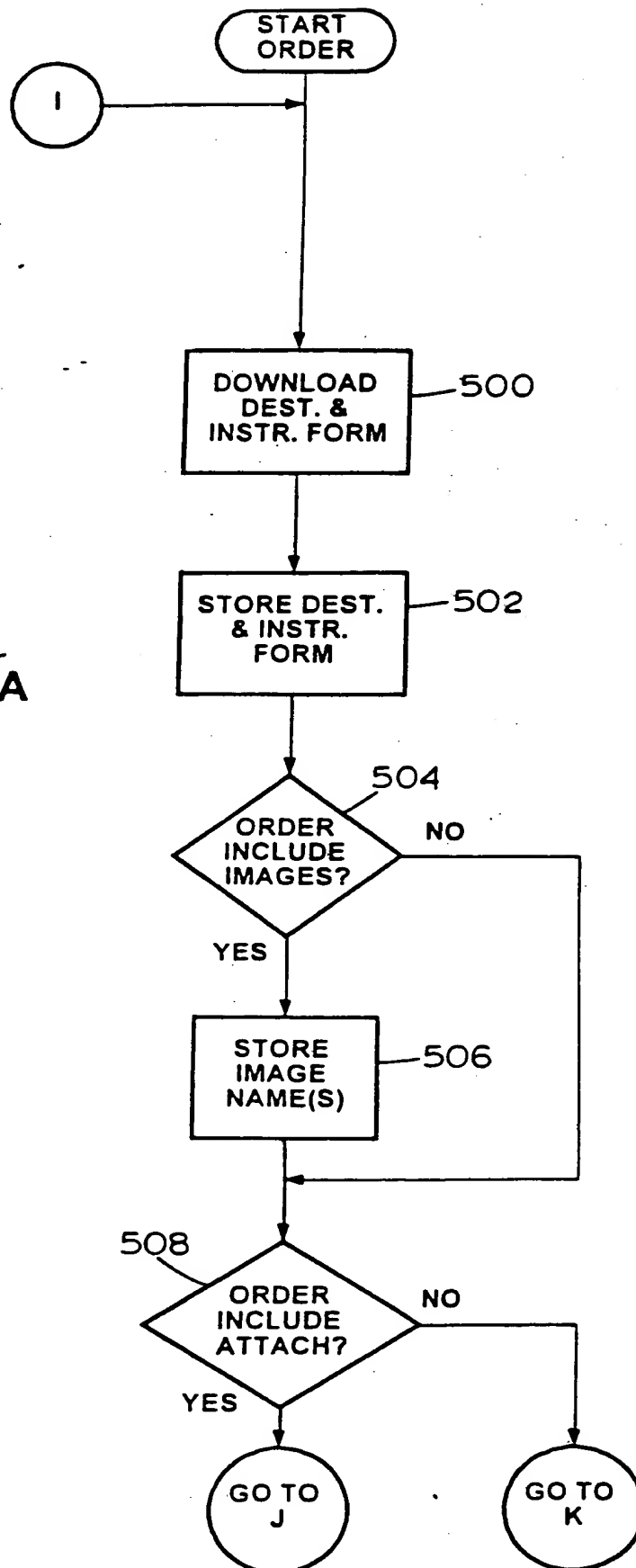
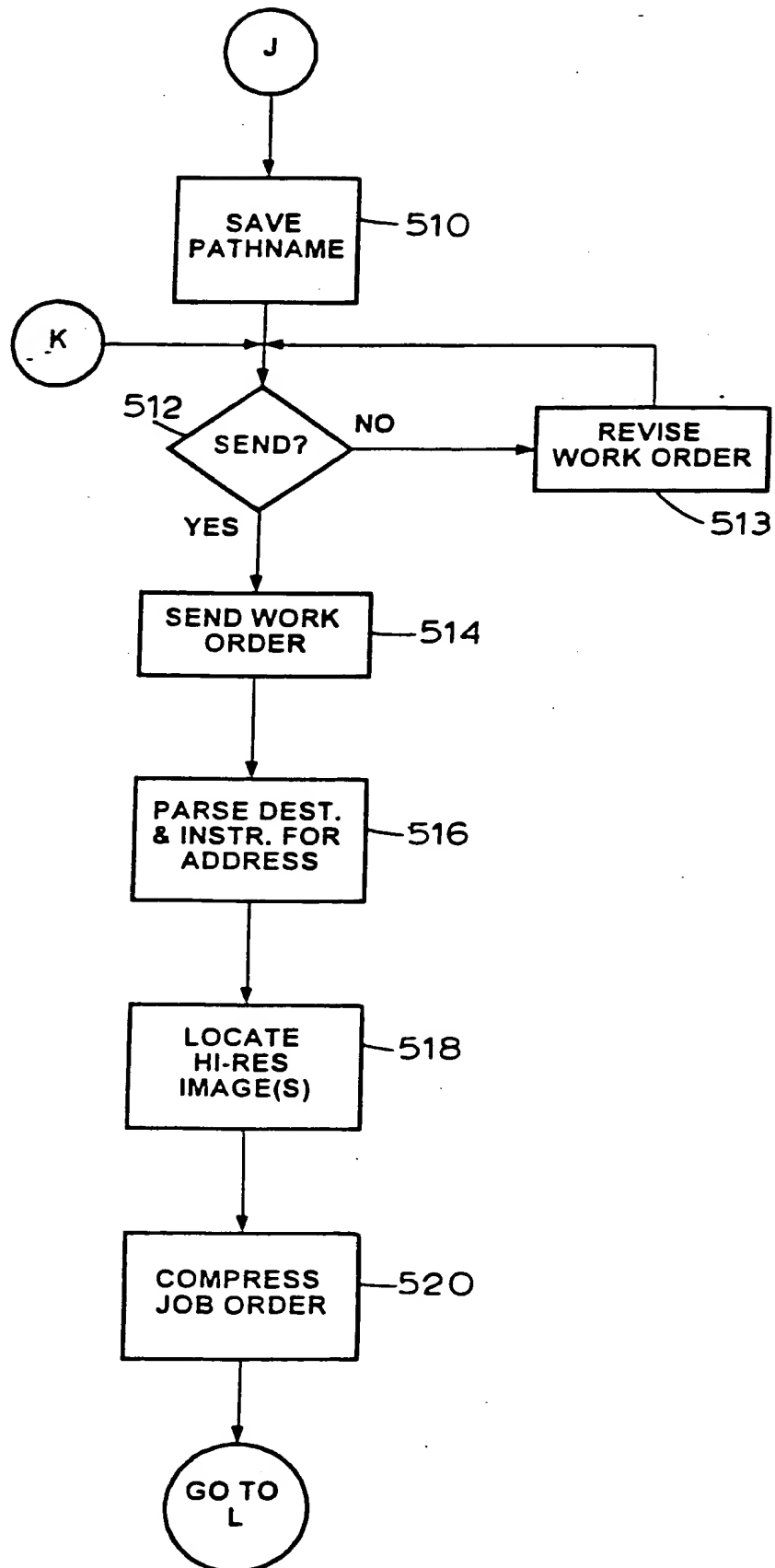


FIG. 8B



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FIG. 8C

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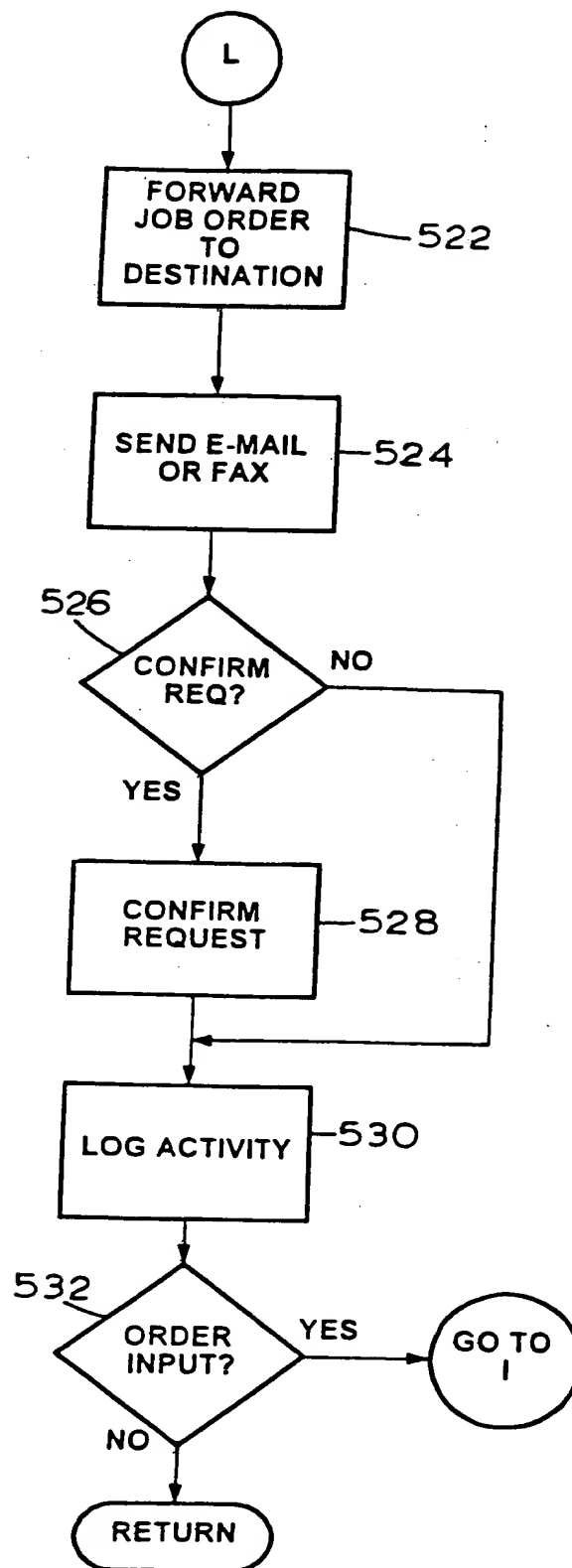


FIG. 9A

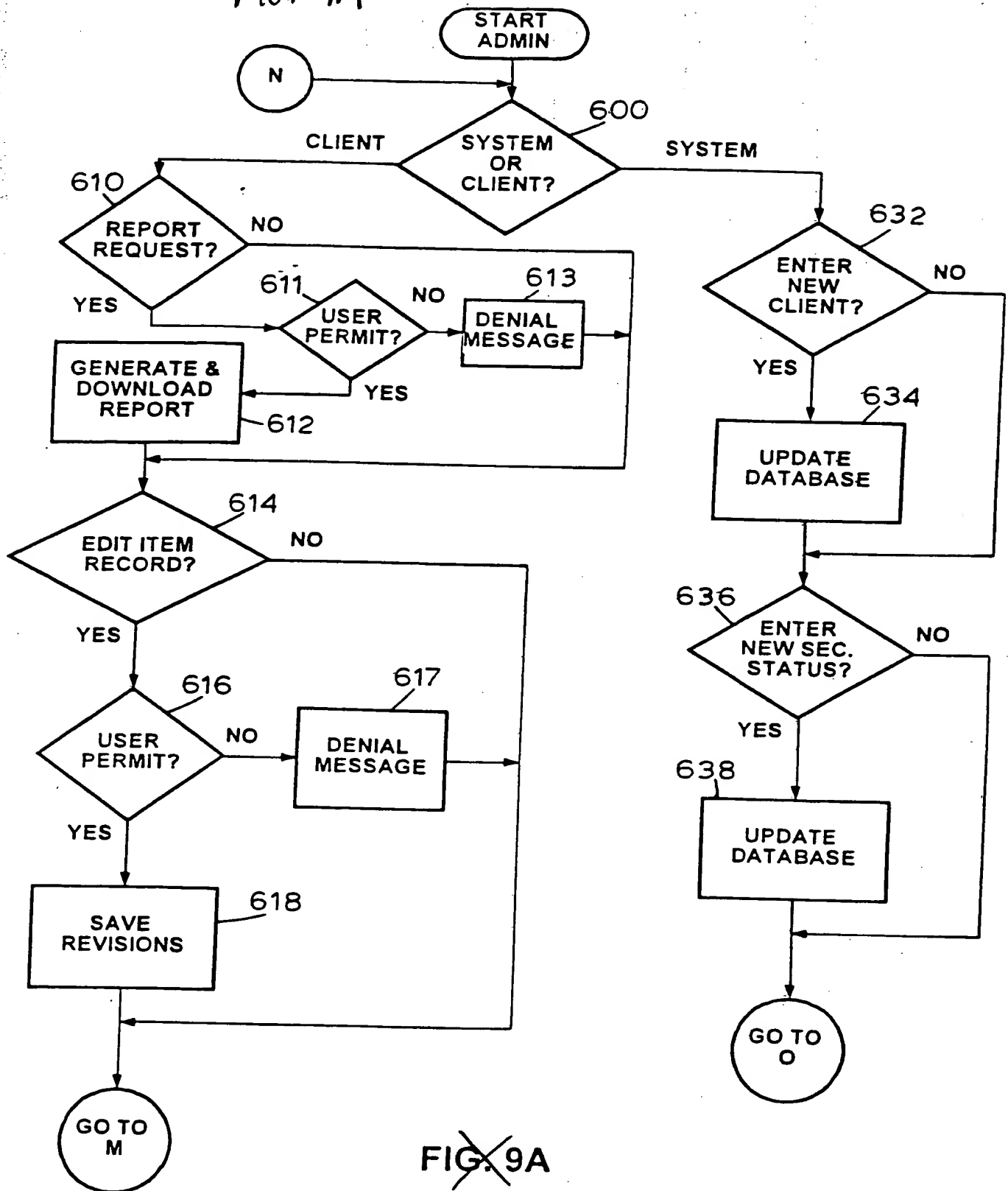


FIG. 9A

FIG. 9B

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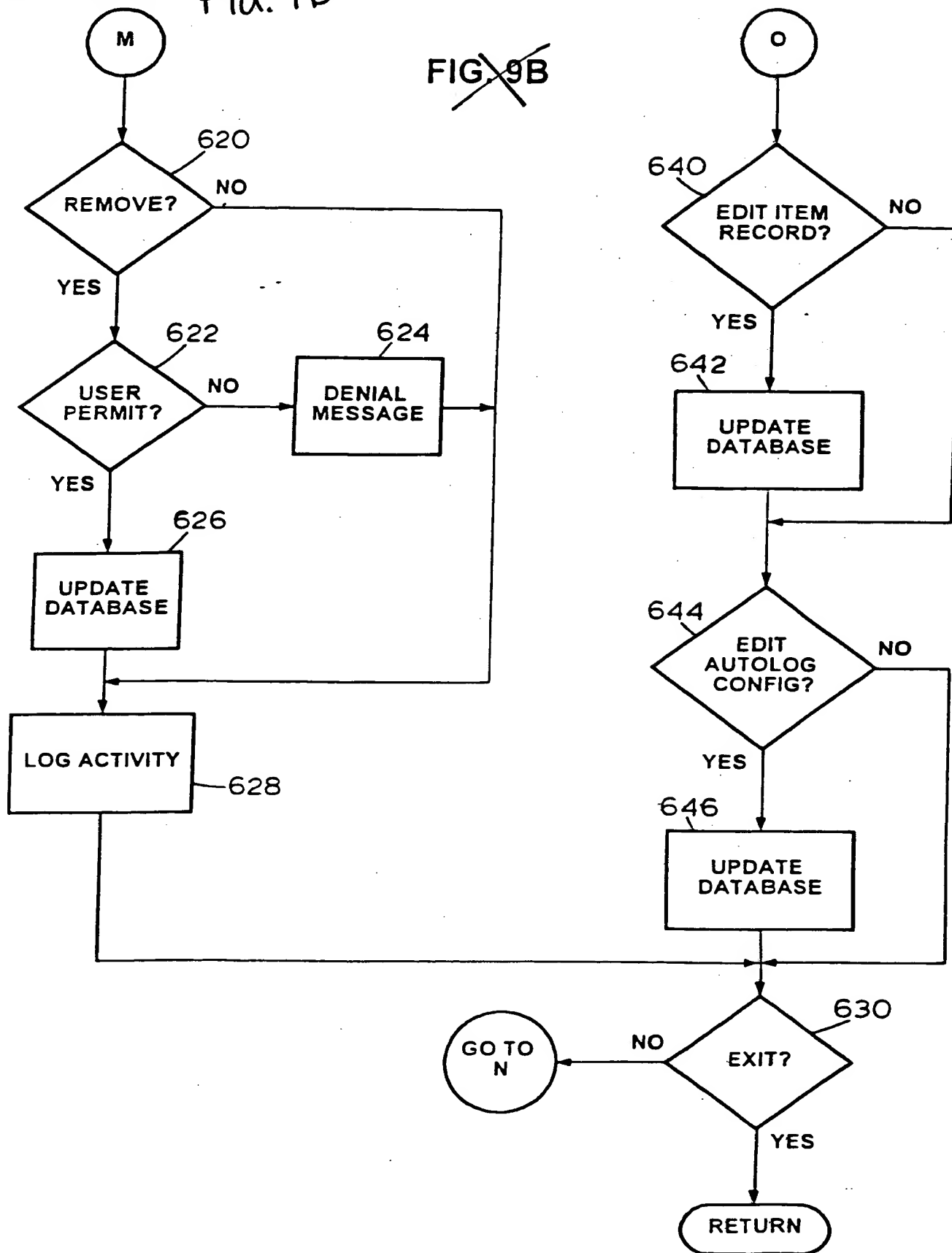


FIG. 10C

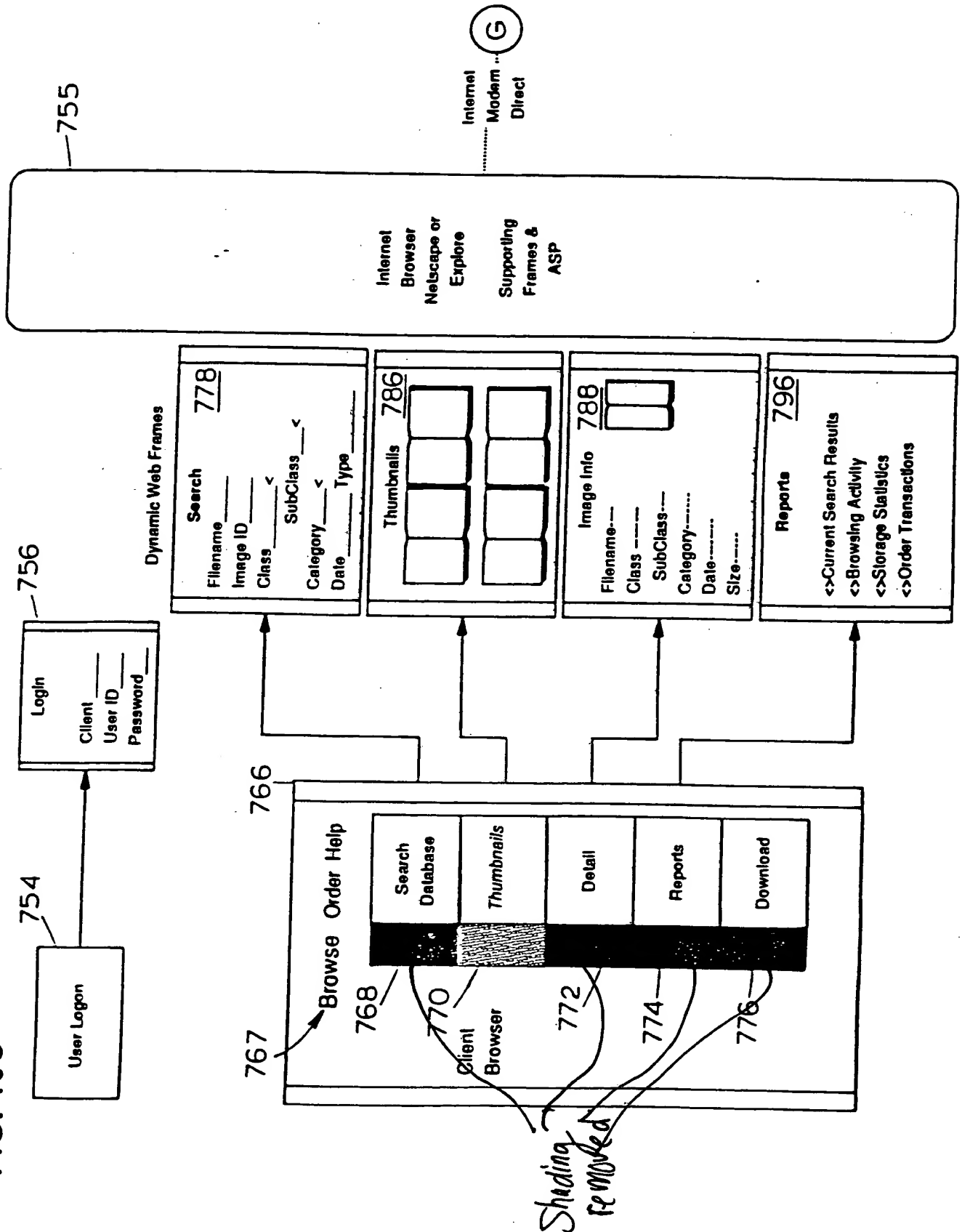
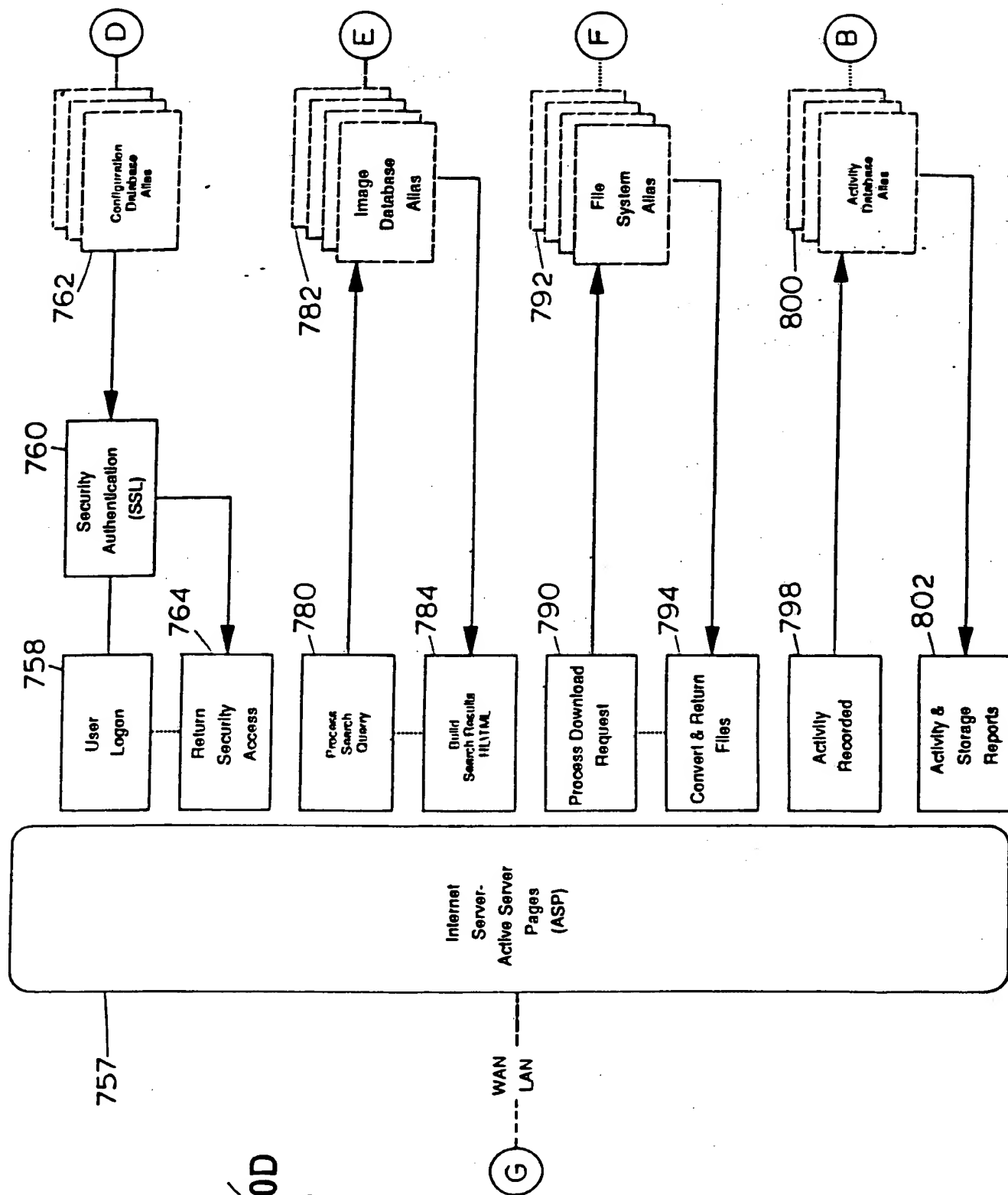


FIG. 10D



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FIG. 10E

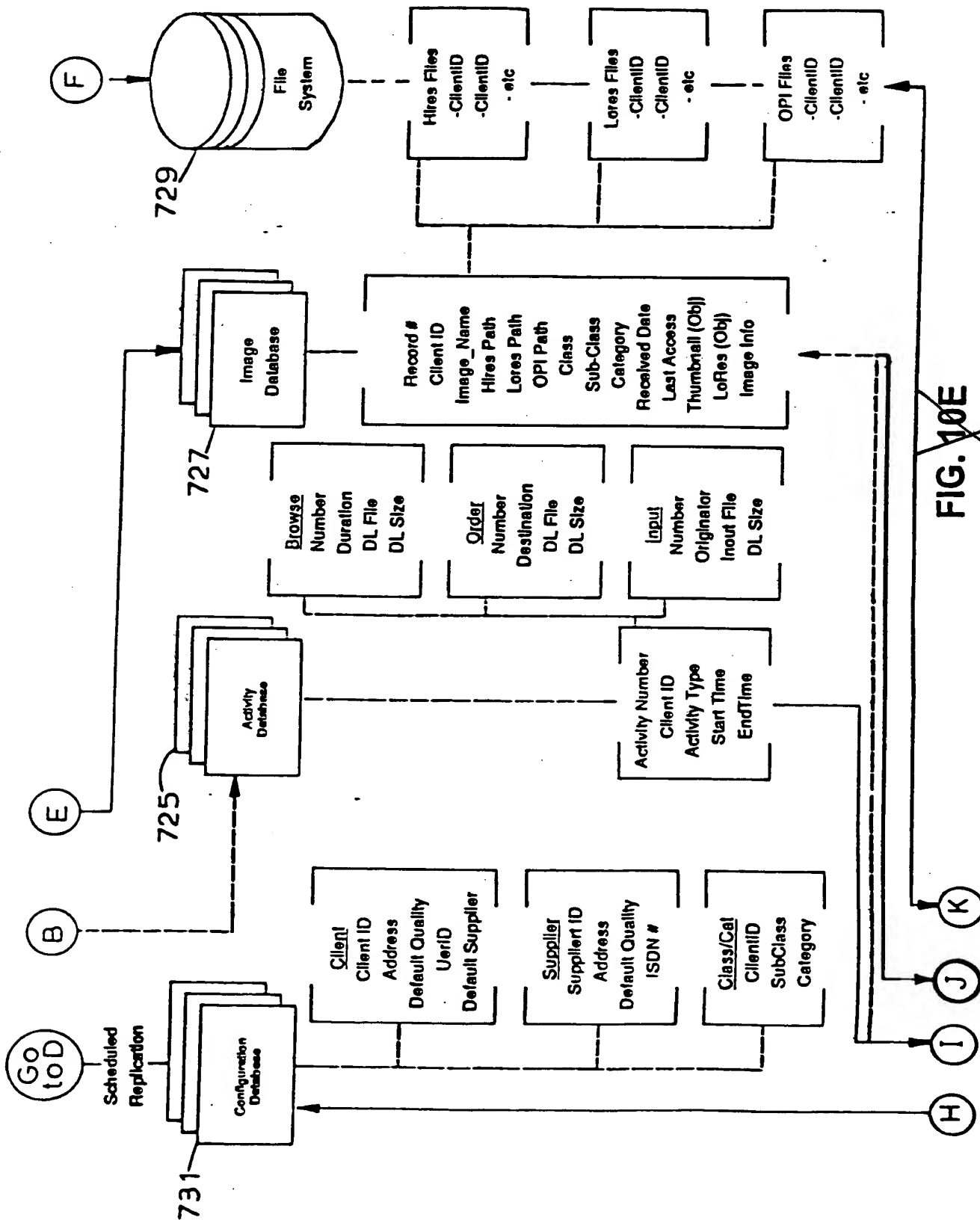


FIG. 10E

FIG. 10F

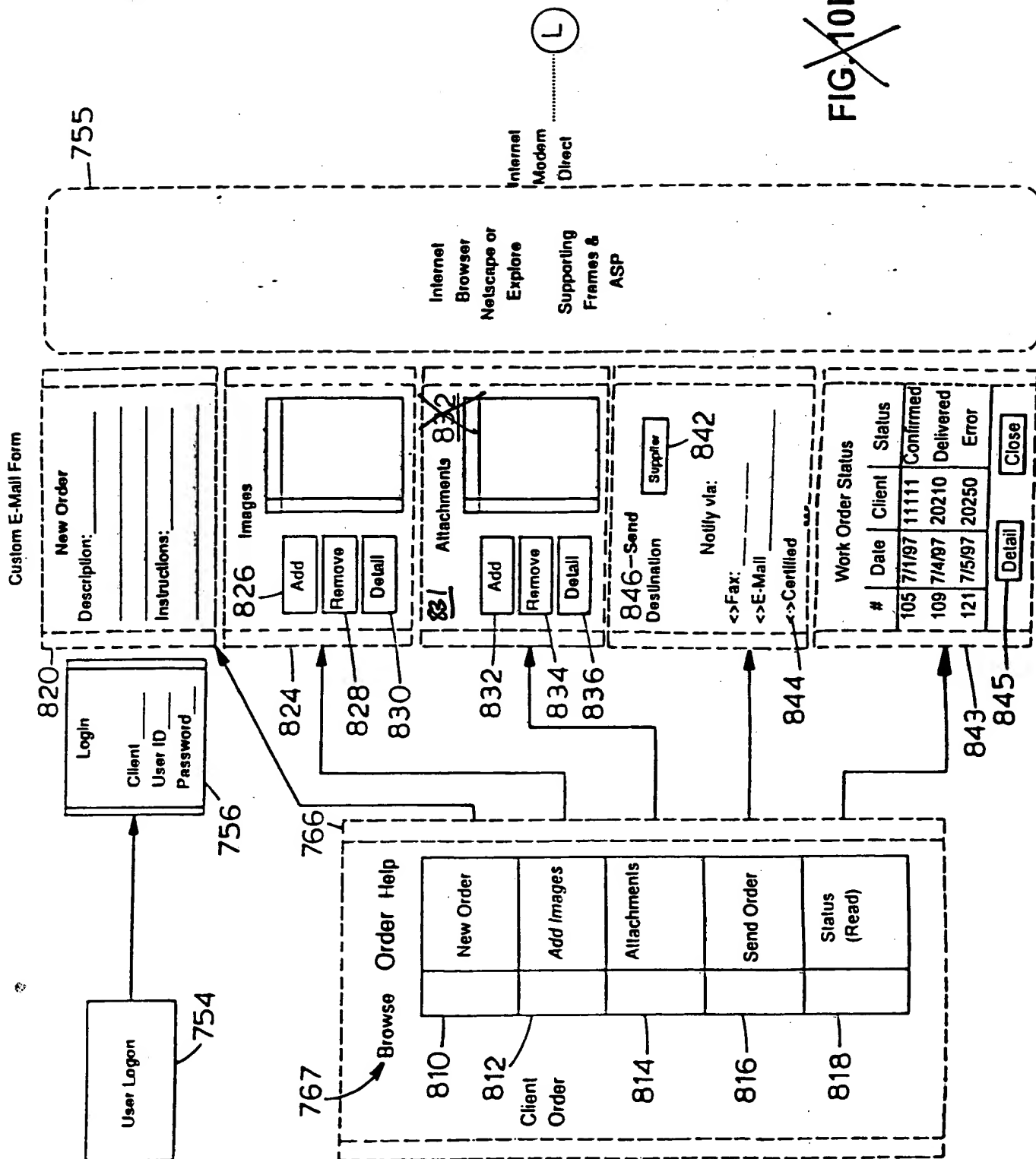


FIG. 10F

FIG. 10G

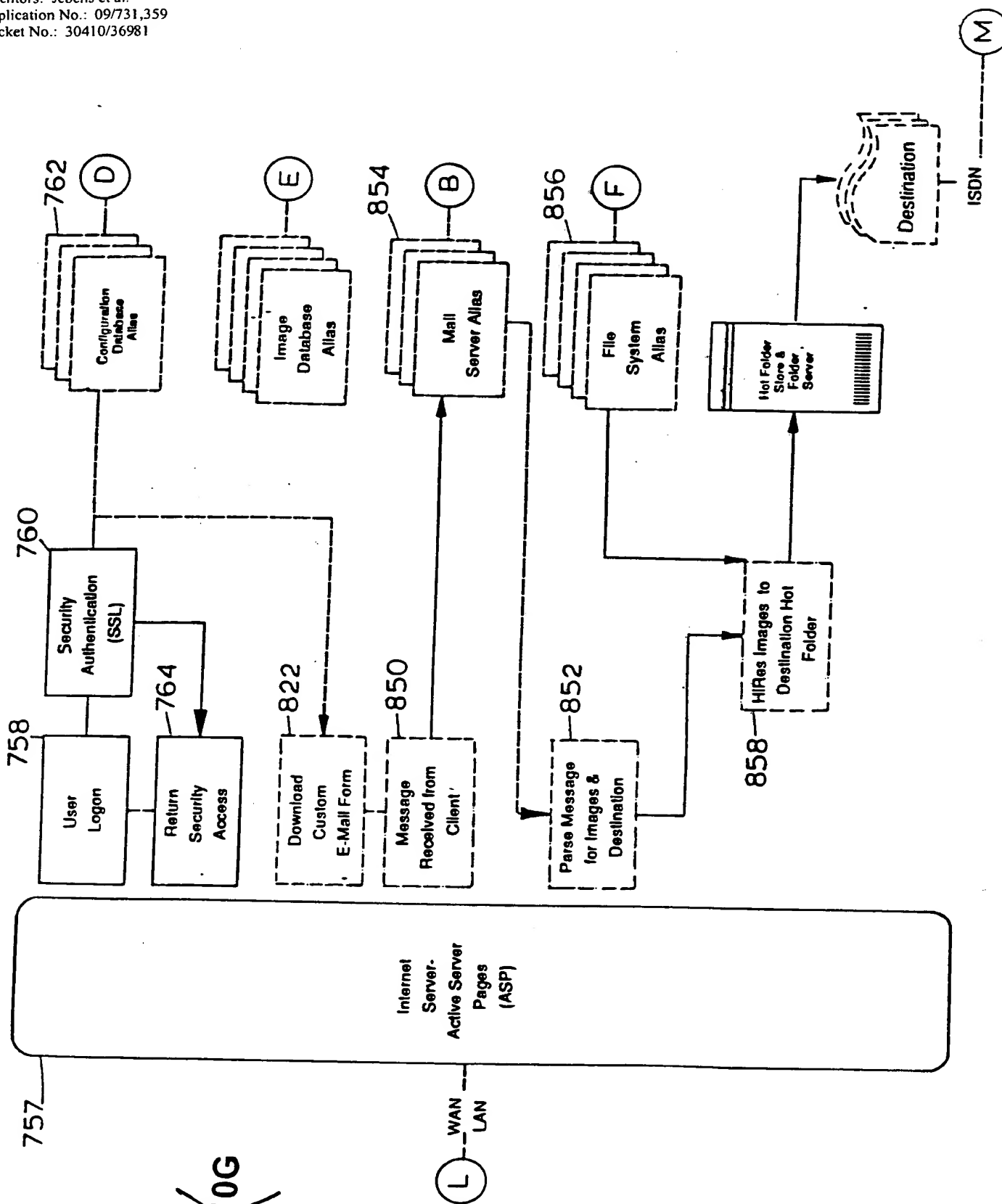


FIG. 10H

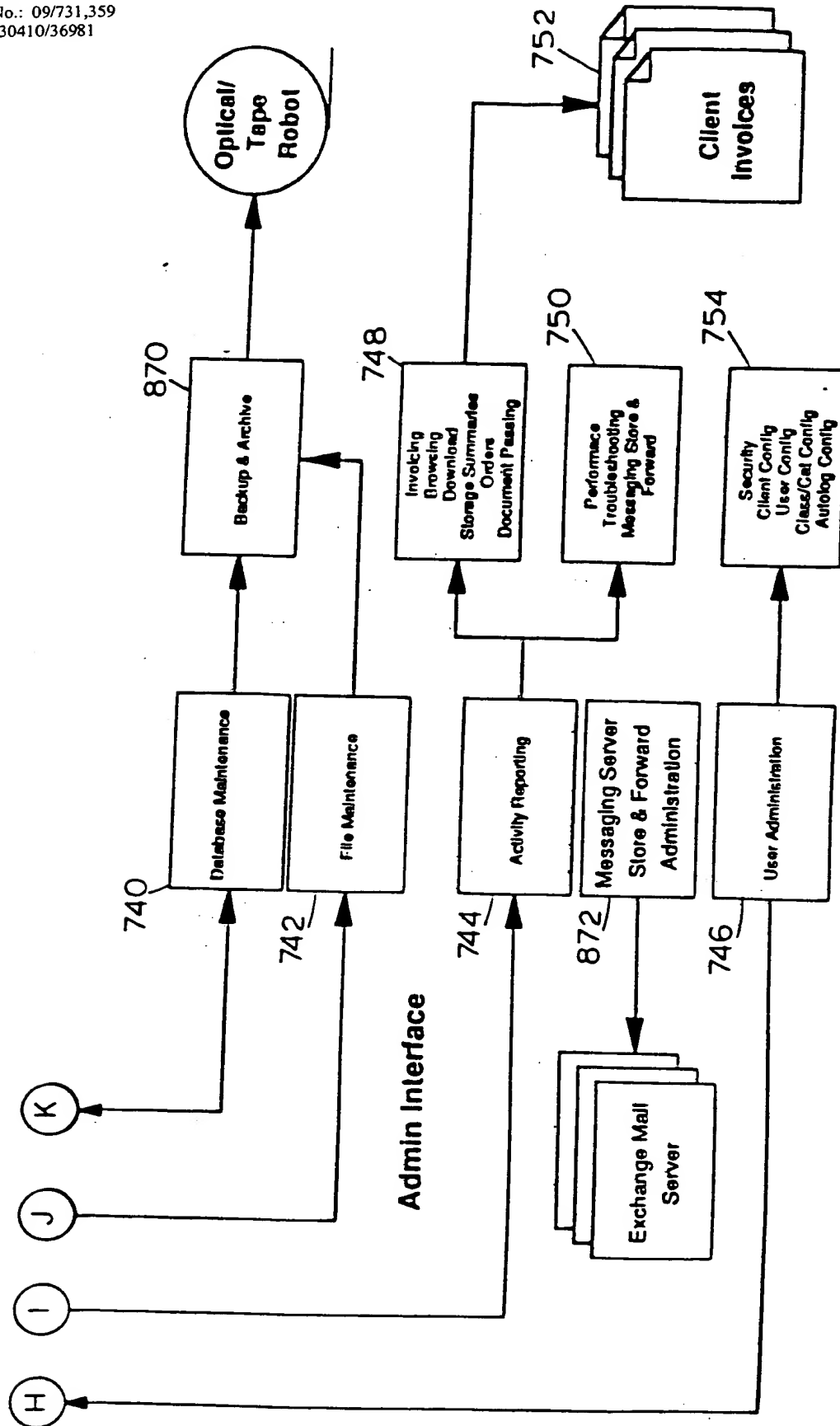


FIG. 10H

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FIG. 10I

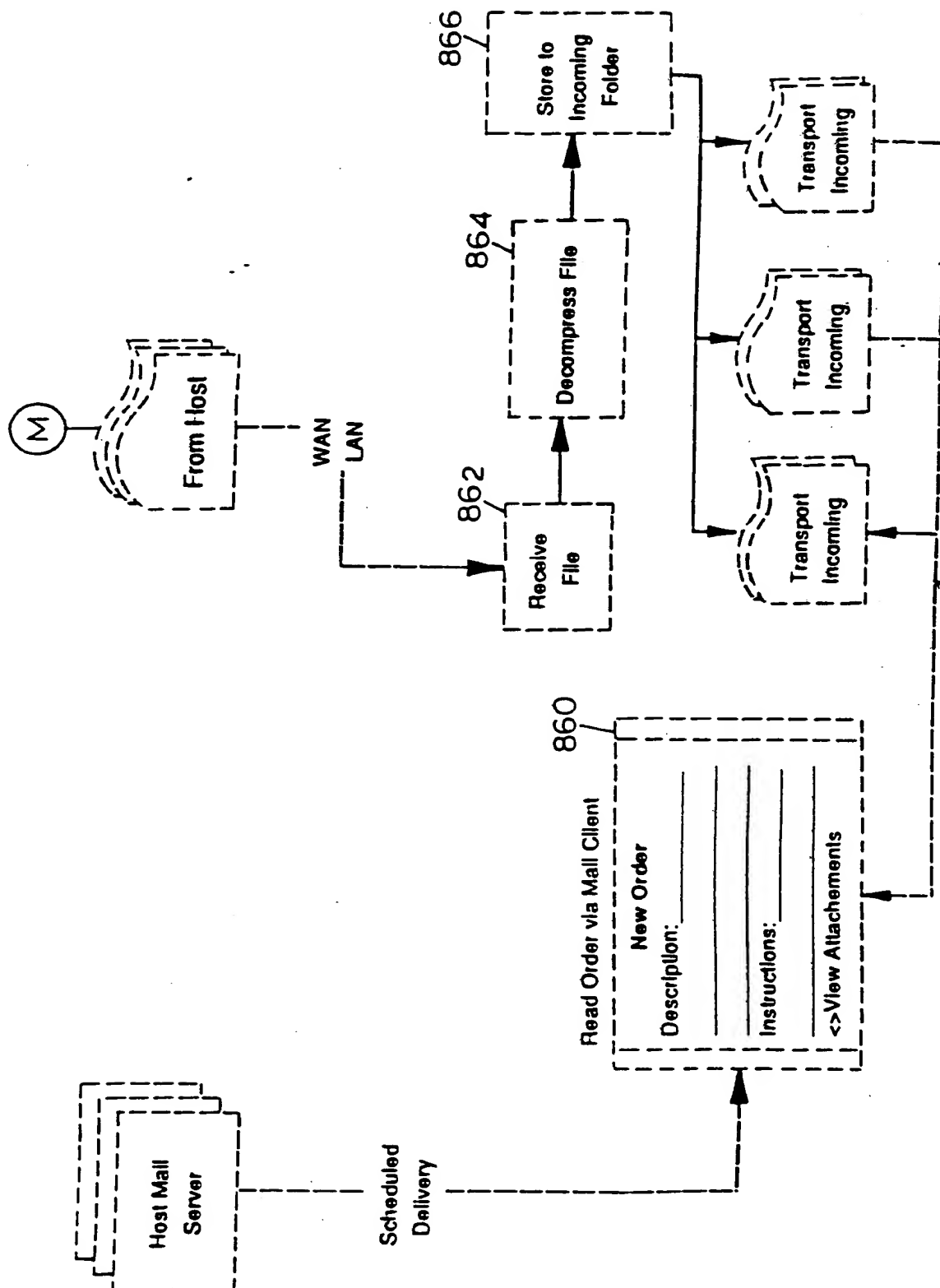
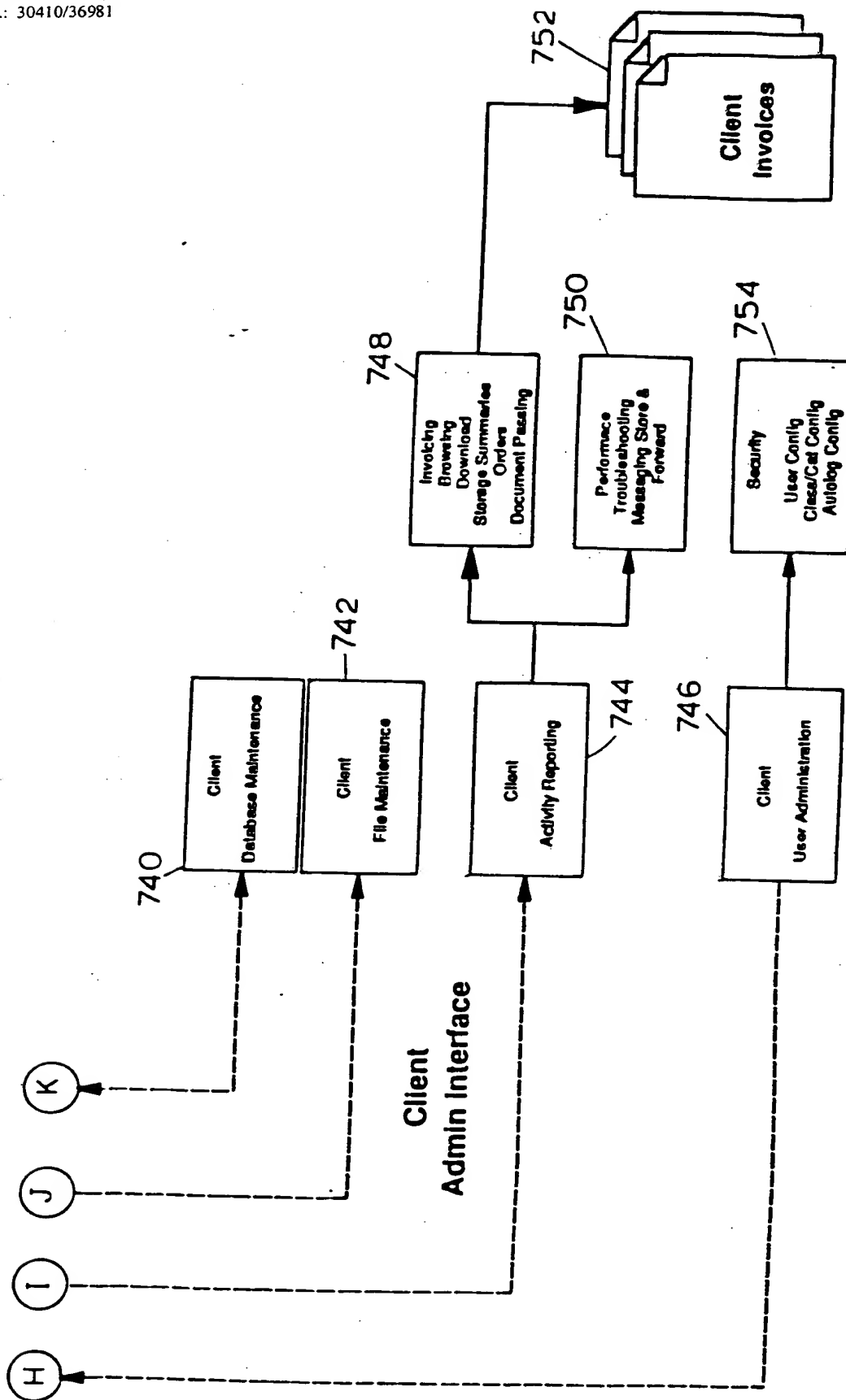


FIG. 10I



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